

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,
Sept. 18, 1923.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, September 18, 1923, and was called to order by President Gilbert at 8:00 P.M. The following Trustees were present: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert. Absent: Nash.

The regular order of business was suspended in order to open bids for the paving of the 222d-Plaza del Amo district and also for the City printing, as had been advertised.

Bids for the paving of 222d-Plaza del Amo district were:

Grading, per sq. ft.	Two and 1/10 cents	0.021
National Pavement, per sq. ft.	Twenty-five and 3/10¢	.253
Concrete Curb, per Lin. ft.	Seventy cents	.70
Estimated total bid	\$31,196.52	
Surety bond	3,500.00	

Dated Sept. 18, 1923

Signed: Brann, Bryant and Austin, Inc.
By Joseph G. Brann, Pres.

Grading, per sq. ft.	Three and 1/4 cents	0.0325
National Pavement, per sq. ft.	Twenty-six and 1/2 ¢	.265
Concrete Curb, per Lin. ft.	Seventy cents	.70
Estimated total bid	-----	
Surety bond	3,500.00	

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Signed: Hall-Johnson Company
By W. C. Johnson, Pres.

Grading, per sq.ft.	Three cents	0.03
National Pavement, per sq. ft.	Twenty-six cents	.26
Concrete Curb, per Lin. ft.	Seventy cents	.70
Estimated total bid	32,980.20	
Surety bond	3,300.00	

Dated: Sept. 18, 1923.

The Heuser-Packard Co.
By Chas. N. Heuser, Pres.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the above bids be referred to the City Engineer for comparison and recommendation at the next meeting. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Bids for the City printing were:

First Insertion of Notices	70 ¢ per inch in one column
Second Insertion of Notices	50 ¢ " " " "

Signed: Torrance Herald,
By Grover C. Whyte,
Bus. Manager.

First Insertions	50 ¢ per inch
Subsequent Insertions	45 ¢ " "

Signed: The Breeze Publishing Co.
By C. B. Robertson,
Bus. Manager.

The above bids were referred to the Ordinance committee for report at the next meeting

The regular order of business was resumed by the reading of the minutes of the adjourned, regular meeting of Sept. 11, 1923, which same were approved as read.

A supplementary report on the Water question was read by the City Engineer, Mr. Jessup, the same having to do with the severance of the parts of the system inside and outside of the limits of the City, which was to be taken up under unfinished business.

The Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Co. addressed a communication to the Board, calling Mr. Jessup's attention to same, concerning the raising of funds among the Oil companies for the repair of streets. Same was referred to Mr. Jessup on motion by Trustee Fitzhugh, seconded by Trustee Proctor, and a majority vote.

Mr. Wright appeared before the Board requesting permission to place 45 plaster-board houses on property in the oil district-having two or three leases in view-so as to assuage the housing shortage to some extent.

Trustee Proctor moved that the request be granted, providing the houses were placed on property west of Cedar Street. Trustee Stone seconded the motion which was duly carried, and the matter was referred to the Ordinance committee for action later in the meeting.

Mr. Snyder, in person, requested the Board to grant him a license for a Recreation Hall, which would include billiards, pool, the Snucker game and facilities for distributing mail, and a free employment bureau, stating that it would represent an investment of from \$20,000. to \$30,000.; that it would be operated in a legitimate way and that he thought the outlook for Torrance would justify the acquisition of property and the erection of a suitable building.

Trustee Stone moved that the above request be granted. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Stone reported that after looking over the situation he recommended the employment of another patrolman. As the matter had already been referred to the Police committee with power to act, no further action was taken.

City Engineer Jessup reported that the Standard Oil Co. had requested permission to cross a certain unimproved street with their pipe line to bring oil from another lease; that he saw no reason why same should not be granted.

Trustee Proctor moved that the City Engineer be empowered to act at his own discretion in cases of this kind. Trustee Stone seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Police Chief Anderson reported that the Jail was not large enough, and that they were putting mats on the floor for extra guests.

At 9:35 P.M. a recess of five minutes was called. After the meeting had again been called to order, Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 70
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
RESTRICTING OIL DRILLING AND PRO-
DUCTION OPERATIONS

Trustee Proctor moved that Ordinance No. 70 be adopted as read for its final reading, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Nash.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 143

Determining that public interest and necessity require acquisition of water in farming, water and by company.

Trustee Stone moved that Resolution No. 143 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Nash.

Attorney Briney read

ORDINANCE NO. 71

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 50

Trustee Stone moved that Ordinance No. 71 be approved as read for its first reading. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Nash.

Trustee Proctor moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Trustee Stone seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Nash.

A return to new business was called to discuss the tentative paving project in the Andreo-Gramercy district as the petition called for 4 inches of Willite and the City Engineer thought that 1½ inches of Willite on a 1½ inch base would be all that was required-thereby obviating the necessity of disturbing the base already laid.

Trustee Proctor moved that the matter be tabled until the next regular meeting and that, in the mean time, the Clerk notify the signers of the petition requesting their presence at the aforementioned time to see if an adjustment of discrepancies might not be arrived at. Trustee Stone seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Nash.

In the matter of the danger involved to school children crossing the intersection of Arlington and Carson Streets, Chief Anderson was instructed to paint a SLOW sign on the street surface in letters of three feet in height.

Trustee Stone moved that signs with the legend - NO HEAVY TRAFFIC ON THIS STREET - be placed at appropriate points. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees; Fitzhugh, Proctor, Stone and Gilbert.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Nash.

At 10:30 P.M. Trustee Stone moved to adjourn. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Albert H. Bennett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

W. H. Gilbert
President of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.